Houses for BPL people

52. SHRI T.T.V. DHINAKARAN: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to build houses for people belonging to Below Poverty Line (BPL);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (KUMARI SELJA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM), launched by the Government in the year 2005, caters to provision of housing and basic services to urban poor in specified mission cities under the Sub-Mission Basic Services to the Urban Poor (BSUP) and in other cities and towns under the Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme (IHSDP).

A new scheme-Interest Subsidy Scheme for Housing the Urban Poor (ISHUP) has been launched for providing interest subsidy on home loans taken by the urban poor to make the housing affordable and within the repaying capacity of economically Weaker Section (EWS)/ Low Income Group (LIG).

The scheme encourages poor section to avail of loan facilities through Commercial Banks/Housing Finance Companies for the purpose of construction/acquisition of houses and avail 5% subsidy in interest payment for loans up to Rs. I lakh.

(c) Does not arise.

Slum-free India

53. SHRIMATI T. RATNA BAI : Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has decided to make India slum-free in five years;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the funds being released to each State where SC/ST people live especially in Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (KUMARI SELJA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Government has decided to introduce a new scheme namely Rajiv Awas Yojana for the slum dwellers and the urban poor on the lines of the Indira Awas Yojana for the rural poor. The scheme would extend support to States that are willing to assign property rights to people living in slum areas. The Government's effort would be to create a slum free India through the Rajiv Awas Yojana. The proposed scheme envisages the states to prepare their own time bound plans to make cities/towns 'slum free'.

(c) No funds have yet been released to any State under the proposed scheme.

Under existing flagship programme of Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM), launched in December, 2005, with the basic objective to strive for holistic slum development, a sum of Rs. 3749.64 crores under Basic Services to Urban Poor (BSUP) and Rs. 2581.06 crores under Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme IHSDP have been released as Additional Central Assistance (ACA) to the States/UTs in the country. An ACA of Rs. 506.15 crores under BSUP and Rs. 304.47 crores under IHSDP (Total Rs. 810.62 crores) has been released to the State of Andhra Pradesh.

Financial assistance for Andhra Pradesh housing project

54. SHRIMATI T. RATNA BAI : Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Andhra Pradesh has requested for financial assistance for Indiramma Housing Project in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the action taken so far; and

(d) the present status of Indiramma Housing Scheme in Andhra Pradesh especially in the rural areas like East Godavari, West Godavari, Visakhapatnam and Khammam areas where SC/ST people live?

THE MINISTER OF HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (KUMARI SELJA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

(d) The status of Indiramma Housing Scheme in Rural Areas of all the districts of Andhra Pradesh as reported by the Government of Andhra Pradesh is enclosed as Statement-I. (*See* below) District-wise details in respect of houses sanctioned for Schedule Castes/Schedule Tribes is given in the Statement-II.

Statement-I

Status of Indiramma Housing Scheme in rural areas of all districts of Andhra Pradesh

ALL SCHEMES TOGETHER (RURAL AREAS)

Physical Progress as on 29.06.2009

Sl. No.	District	Confirmed (NS)	BBL	BL	LL	RL	RC	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1.	Srikakulam	88943	6336	20360	9618	19688	101249	246194